CSU General Education Requirements 2024-2025

The following is a general education pattern for California State University (CSU) which can be fully or partially certified upon successful completion of courses. Full certification indicates that the lower division general education courses are complete. Students must request the certification with their final transcript or once courses are complete, online via WebSMART.

Legend $C = Completed$ $IP = In-Progress$ $P = Planned$				
Area A: English Language Communication and Critical Thinking One course required from each section in area A 9 units Required	i	C	IP	Р
A1 Oral Communication: COMM 110, 127,130, 140 • Other:				
A2 Written Communication: ENGL100, 105 • Other:				
A3 Critical Thinking: ENGL110,165 PHIL 103, 200 PLSC 103 • Other:				
Area B: Scientific Inquiry and Quantitative Reasoning One course from Physical Science, one from Life Science, and one from Math Concepts. Also must include one lab course from B3 or any course indicated by a		C	IP	P
B1 Physical Science: ASTR 100 CHEM 114*, 192*, 210*, 220*, 231*, 232*, 410* ENVS 115 GEOG 100 GEOL 100, 121* METE 100 OCEN 100 PHYS 114 220*, 250*, 260*, 270*, 405				
B2 Life Science: ANTH 125 BIOL 100, 110*, 130, 225*, 230*, 240*, 250*, 260* ENVS 115 GEOL 121* OCEN 100 • Other:				
B3 LAB: These courses meet the lab requirement, but they must be taken concurrently or after completing the corresponding lecture course. Courses with () meet area B3 Lab requirements. ANTH 126 ASTR 101 BIOL 132 ENVS 101 GEOG 101 GEOL 101 OCEN 101 • Other:				
B4 Math Concept: BUS. 113, MATH 125, 130, 145, 150, 200, 225, 241, 243, 251, 252, 253, 270, 275 • Other:				L
Area C: Arts and Humanities Choose at least one course from the Arts and at least one course from the Humanities. Courses must be from at least two disciplines.	ed	C	IP	P
C1 Arts: ART 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 114, 116, 118, 131, 250, 306 DANC 100 DRAM 101, 140, 150, 200, 233, 300.4 ETHN 288 FASH 150, INTD 150, 151 LIT. 441, 442 MUS. 100, 202, 210, 215, 240, 250, 271, 275 • Other:				
C2 Humanities: DRAM 151 ECE. 191 ENGL 110, 161, 164 ETHN 105, 107, 265 HIST 100, 101, 104, 106, 201, 202, 245, 246, 247 LIT. 151, 200, 205, 266, 371, 372, 373, 441, 442 PHIL 100, 160, 175, 190, 240, 300, 312 SPAN 110, 120, 121, 122, 140, 145, 162, 220, 230 • Other:				
Area D: Social Sciences 6 units Requi	ired	C	IP	Р
Social institutions: ANTH 110, 200, 351 BUS. 100, 101 COMM 150, 180 ECE. 201, 212 ECON 100, 102, 230 ENGL 200 ETHN 103, 105, 107, 108, 70 GEOG 110, 150 HIST 100, 101, 104, 106, 201, 202, 245, 246, 247, 422 LING 200 PLSC 130, 150, 170, 210, 310 PSYC 100, 106, 200, 205, 300, 340, 410 340, 410 SOCI 100, 105, 141, 205	109			
AH&I: CSU Graduation Requirement – (NOT required to certify CSU GE) U.S. History, Constitution, and American Ideals: Complete courses US 1 (History), US 2 (Constitution) and US 3 (State and Local Government); some courses cover two areas.	to cover			
US-1: ECON 230 ETHN 105, 107 HIST 201, 202, 245 US-2: HIST 201, 202 PLSC 210 US-3: PLSC 210, 310 Courses used to satisfy this requirement may also be applied to CSU GE requirements in Area C2, D, or F if applicable.	-			
NOTE: Course approvals for this requirement may vary between SMCCCD Colleges. If you are planning to register for a course to complete this area at anoth please consult their CSU GE pattern and meet with a counselor. • Other:	ner campus,			
Area E: Lifelong Learning & Self Development 3 units Required (max. 2 units	from E2)	C	IP	P
E1: BIOL 310 CRER 137 ECE. 201 HSCI 100 KINE 101, 105, 109 PSYC 200, 340 E2: AQUA 127.1, 127.2, 127.3, 127.4, 133.1, 135.1 DANC 115.1, 115.2, 115.3, 115.4, 117.1, 117.2, 117.3, 117.4, 121.1, 121.2, 121.3, 121.4, 125.1, 125.2, 12 130.1, 130.2, 130.3, 130.4, 140.1, 140.2, 140.3, 140.4, 150.1, 150.2, 150.3, 150.4, 151.1, 151.2, 151.3, 151.4, 157.1, 157.2, 157.3, 157.4, 161.1, 161.2, 161.3, 350.1, 350.2, 350.3, 350.4, 400.1, 400.2, 400.3, 400.4 FITN 112, 117, 118, 119, 122, 128.1, 128.2, 152, 153, 154, 210, 227.1, 227.2, 227.3, 227.4, 235, 301. 301.3, 304.1, 304.2, 304.3, 304.4; 308.1, 332.1, 332.2; 334.1, 334.2, 334.3, 334.4; 335.1, 335.2, 335.3, 335.4 INDV 121.1, 121.2, 160.1, 160.2, 160.3, 160.4 251.2, 251.3, 251.4 TEAM 105, 111.1, 111.2, 111.3, 111.4; 132.1, 132.2, 132.3; 141.1, 141.2, 141.3, 141.4; 148.1, 148.2, 148.3, 148.4, 171.1, 171.2, 171.3, 114.4; 185, 186, 187 VARS 104, 114, 140, 154, 160, 170, 300, 340, 350, 400 • Other:	25.3, 125.4, , 161.4, 220, 1, 301.2, l; 251.1,			
GE Area F: Ethnic Studies 3 units R	equired	C	IP	Р
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CSU Admission Policies and Selection Criteria:

The minimum admission requirements to transfer to CSU Campuses as an upper-division student are:

- Successful completion of at least 60 CSU transferable units that includes courses in GE Areas A1, A2, A3, and B4, courses in major, general education, and electives.
- · Successful completion of courses in GE Areas A1, A2, A3 and B4 (Golden 4) with grade of C- or higher.
- · Successful completion of 30 semester units of General Education with a grade of C- or better.
- Minimum GPA of 2.0 for resident students and 2.4 for California non-resident students. Some CSU campuses and majors may require a higher GPA for transfer; see a Counselor for more information.

Note:

- A course may be listed in more than one GE area; however, it can be used to satisfy only one GE area.
- · AP Exam credit may be listed in more than one area; however, it can be used to satisfy only one GE area.
- For the most up-to-date transfer information including general education and lower division major requirements, go to www.assist.org.
- Certification will be completed only before transferring. Certification will NOT be processed after students have transferred and are enrolled at a CSU campus
- What are "Golden Four" GE courses? Courses in GE Subareas A1, (oral communication), A2 (written communication), A3 (critical thinking) and B4 (math concept) are sometimes referred to as the "Golden Four". They are required for transfer admission to the CSU, and each of the four courses must be passed with a minimum grade of "C-", per Title 5 Section 40803.
- There are instances when a Cañada course is approved for a CSU GE area but the same course at CSM or Skyline is NOT approved for CSU GE (or vice versa). Check with an Academic Counselor for complete information.

